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DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

May 10, 2004

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Dear Sir/Madam,

This is to deny your refund request in the amount of \$257.00, for patent/serial number 10645746.

The money is needed for claims. There were 7 Independent -3 allowed =  $4 \times 42 = 168.00$   
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Sincerely,

ELEANOR KURTZ  
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